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**PATENT APPLICATION**

Applicants:	Bertram et al.	Case:	DIVA/133
Serial No.:	09/126,884	Group Art Unit:	2611
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Title:	METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR FORMING AND UTILIZING A SLOTTED MPEG TRANSPORT STREAM		

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**PRELIMINARY RESPONSE and SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR §1.114**

**Introductory Comments**

This Preliminary Response (Submission) is being filed concurrently with the filing of an RCE in response to the Final Office Action dated November 4, 2003 (Paper No. 22). Please consider the above-identified patent application as follows in view of the following Remarks.